RESOLUTION NO. <u>08-50</u>

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF THE CITY-INITIATED TOWING LICENSE OF WESTBROOK MOTORS, INC., CONDITIONED UPON TRANSFER OF STOCK AND CONTROL OF WESTBROOK MOTORS, INC. FROM ABSOLUTE TRANSFER, INC. TO RAUL SUAREZ AND COMPLIANCE WITH LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Hialeah Code § 90-176(g) and pursuant to Article VII of the 2007 License Agreement, Westbrook Motors, Inc. notified the City of Hialeah that its towing business will be sold and accordingly, there will be a transfer of ownership and control of Westbrook Motors, Inc. from Absolute Transfer, Inc. to Raul Suarez pending City approval of the license transfer; and

WHEREAS, the new owner, Raul Suarez, has 27 years experience in the towing business, including 10 years as vice president of operations of Kauf's Towing, then the largest towing company in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the new owner to repaint and renovate the existing facility, re-landscape the existing property and replace 50% of the fleet with new or newer vehicles within one year of assuming ownership of the business; and

WHEREAS, a criminal background check of the new owner of the Westbrook Motors, Inc. towing license reveals no prohibited criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hialeah finds that it is in the best interest of the community and its residents to approve the request to transfer the city-initiated towing license of Westbrook Motors, Inc. from the ownership and control of Absolute Transfer, Inc. to Raul Suarez.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble to this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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Section 2: The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida hereby approve the transfer of the city-initiated license to Westbrook Motors, Inc. conditioned upon notification of stock and control of Westbrook Motors, Inc. from Absolute Transfer, Inc. to Raul Suarez and compliance with the license requirements for the license transfer.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13thday of May , 2008.

Esteban Bovo Council President

Approved on this / day of , 2008.

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk Mayor Julio Robaina

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

William M. Grodnick, City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers Bovo, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, and Yedra voting "Yes".